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Inventor: Yoshihisa MATSUBARA et al.

Serial No.: 09/840,386

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Title: **METHOD FOR MANUFACTURING SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE, AND PROCESSING SYSTEM AND SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE**

Examiner: Lan Vinh

Group Art Unit: 1765

Commissioner for Patents
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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

SIR:

Applicant requests that the time for taking action in this case be extended pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136(a) for:

one month three months

two months four months

The fee set in 37 CFR 1.17 for the extension of time is \$950.00.

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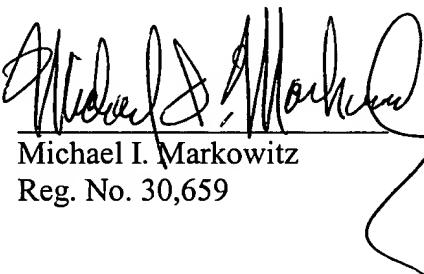
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Also enclosed is a:

Response to Official Action

Notice of Appeal Appeal Brief

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